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IN A PRESS RELEASE ON APRIL 7, FOREIGN MINISTER JOSE AYALA
DENIED REPORTS OF ECUADOR'S WITHDRAWAL FROM THE LAW OF THE SEA
CONFERENCE IN GENEVA. AYALA EXPLAINED THAT THE ECUADOREAN
DELEGATION LEFT THE PLENARY SESSION WHICH CONFIRMED SHIRLEY
AMERASINGHE AS PRESIDENT OF THE CONFERENCE ONLY IN ORDER TO
PROTEST THAT DECISION, ON THE GROUNDS OF HIS LACK OF DIPLO-
MATIC STATUS. AYALA FURTHER CRITICIZED THE ELECTION BECAUSE
AMERASINGHE HAD THE SUPPORT OF LESS THAN HALF THE STATES
REPRESENTED AT THE CONFERENCE AND BECAUSE THE RESULT DID NOT
REPRESENT A CONSENSUS OF THE PARTICIPANTS. THE ECUADOREAN
DELEGATION, ACCORDING TO AYALA, WILL REMAIN AT THE CONFERENCE
TO PURSUE ITS TRADITIONAL POSITION REGARDING THE TERRITORIAL
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